REGISTER OF
CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	16 September 1997
Name of applicant/court:	Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Undina
Other Known Titles:	Undina, A Celebration of the Passive Female
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Not Stated
Author:	Naiad
Format:	Book
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language:	English

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Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running time:

Trailers: Running time:

Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The book entitled *Undina* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and the use of urine in association with sexual conduct. The publication does this by describing young children's experiences of masturbation or sexual conduct with adults which center on the act of urination in a manner that is intended to arouse the reader. The publication promotes and supports the view that the sexual preciosity of the Undina child is normal and acceptable. Such a child is described as initiating sexual activity with adults by such actions as rubbing their genitals on a man's leg. The publication promotes and supports the use of urine in association with sexual conduct by repeatedly describing women emitting urine after sexual stimulus and presenting urination as the most important act involved in a female's sexual experience. The descriptions are written in sexually explicit language which are intended to be arousing to the reader.

Section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act) has been considered but does not apply to this publication because it has been determined that s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 applies. This provision overrides the NZBR Act because it is a deeming provision which cannot be given a meaning that is consistent with the rights and freedoms in the NZBR Act.

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